

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-11. (canceled)

12. (currently amended) A laminated tissue paper comprising at least two tissue plies with substantially identical embossing patterns, said embossing patterns consisting of embossing protrusions, wherein,

said at least two plies are displaced relatively to each other in a displacement direction, and laminated with the protrusions of the plies extending in the same direction, such that said laminated tissue paper has a greater bulk than when said at least two plies are not displaced relatively to each other in the displacement direction,

the maximum distance D in the displacement direction between an embossing protrusion of a first ply and an embossing protrusion of a second ply, which is displaced relative to the first one, is set as a function of the height H of the embossing protrusions and the length L of the embossing protrusions in the displacement direction, and

D is equal to the smaller one of the values of  $12H$  and  $14L$  so that at least about 25% up to 100% of each protrusion of the first ply is over an unembossed area of the second ply.

13. (previously presented) The laminated tissue paper as claimed in claim 12, wherein D is equal to the smaller one of the values of 8H and 10L.

14. (previously presented) The laminated tissue paper as claimed in claim 12, wherein D is equal to the smaller one of the values of 6H and 8L.

15. (previously presented) The laminated tissue paper as claimed in claim 12, comprising at least one further tissue ply which is superimposed to the laminated tissue paper.

16. (previously presented) The laminated tissue paper as claimed in claim 15, wherein the at least one further tissue ply is another laminated tissue paper.

17. (previously presented) The laminated tissue paper as claimed in claim 12, wherein the plies are laminated by at least one of mechanical ply bonding and adhesive ply bonding.

18. (previously presented) The laminated tissue paper as claimed in claim 15, wherein the at least one further tissue ply is also a laminated tissue paper comprising at least two plies with substantially identical embossing patterns, said embossing patterns consisting of embossing protrusions, wherein said at

least two plies are displaced relatively to each other in a displacement direction, and laminated with the protrusions of the plies extending in the same direction, and the maximum distance D in the displacement direction between an embossing protrusion of a first ply and an embossing protrusion of a second ply, which is displaced relative to the first one, is set as a function of the height H of the embossing protrusions and the length L of the embossing protrusions in the displacement direction so that D is equal to the smaller one of the values of 12H and 14L.

19. (currently amended) A laminated tissue paper comprising:

a first tissue ply; and

a second tissue ply, wherein,

said first and second plies have substantially identical embossing patterns,

said embossing patterns consist of embossing protrusions, each protrusion having a height H and length L,

said first ply and said second ply are displaced relatively to each other in a displacement direction, and laminated with the protrusions of the plies extending in the same direction,

the maximum distance D in the displacement direction between an embossing protrusion of the first ply and an embossing protrusion of the second ply is equal to the smaller one of the

values of 12H and 14L so that at least about 25% up to 100% of each protrusion of the first ply is over an unembossed area of the second ply, and

the laminated tissue paper has a greater softness and a greater thickness at the maximum distance D equal to the smaller one of the values of 12H and 14L than when said first ply and said second ply are not displaced relatively to each other in a displacement direction.

20. (new) A laminated tissue paper comprising:  
a first tissue ply; and  
a second tissue ply, wherein,  
said first and second plies have substantially identical embossing patterns,

said embossing patterns consist of embossing protrusions, each protrusion having a height H and length L,

said first ply and said second ply are displaced relatively to each other in a displacement direction, and laminated with the protrusions of the plies extending in the same direction,

the maximum distance D in the displacement direction between an embossing protrusion of the first ply and an embossing protrusion of the second ply is equal to the smaller one of the values of 12H and 14L so that each embossing protrusion of said

first ply is arranged opposite and over an unembossed area of said second ply.

21. (new) The laminated tissue paper according to claim 20, wherein so that at least about 25% to 100% of each protrusion of said first ply is arranged opposite and over an unembossed area of said second ply.